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COMMENT OF THE DAY

Victory For Realism

THE outcome of the dispute between the General Council of the TUC and party Socialists over the appointment of trade union representatives to the new Iron and Steel Board has now been made known. The appointment of Sir Lincoln Evans, and two other members has been approved by the TUC General Council, but it is unlikely that this decision will put an end to the controversy which has been aroused in the Socialist Party and in the trade union movement itself. Nevertheless the verdict was decisive and it was reached after long discussion which provided ample scope for the ventilation of all points of view. It was made abundantly clear that talk about "sabotage" of Socialist and trade union policy on iron and steel nationalisation has nothing to do with the issue. The TUC recognises that the denationalisation of the industry was the act of a democratically elected Parliament which must be accepted in the name of democracy. That being so the trade unions, in the interests of their own members, to say nothing of a broader general interest, must adopt a co-operative attitude. It is to the credit of the Trades Union Council that it prefers straight thinking on these lines to the doctrinaire mentality which sees nothing but the narrow party or sectional point of view.

THE ease of the critics appears to rest on the assumption that without trade union co-operation the new Board would be bound to fail and on the fear that, given a fair chance, it may well succeed. That is characteristic of the political school of thought which measures all policies in terms of party advantage alone and equates party advantage with the public interest. If, as it never, the Socialist Party is resolved, whenever it gets the opportunity, to re-nationalise the iron and steel industry irrespective of the performance of the industry under the new Board, it proclaims itself the prisoner of its own dogmatism. But, except for its Bevanite faction, it has at least refrained from pillorying Sir Lincoln Evans and his trade union colleagues who have consented to join the Board. The TUC's positive verdict is a victory for realism and common sense, even though it was perhaps a victory made easier by the fanatical violence of the Bevanites. Sir Lincoln and his two colleagues are now empowered to go to their task with the official imprimatur of trade unionism and to flout any imputation that they are a set of renegades speaking and acting for nobody but themselves.

HUNGARIAN GOVT RESIGNS

Changes Made In Communist Politbureau

London, July 2. The Hungarian Cabinet has resigned, Budapest Radio announced tonight. The Radio reported that the Presidential Council had accepted the resignation but had asked the Ministers to conduct day to day business until a new Cabinet was formed.

The Hungarian National Assembly will decide on its composition at a session convened for tomorrow.

Drastic changes in the composition of the Hungarian Politbureau were announced on Tuesday and travellers arriving in Vienna from Budapest yesterday said these had given rise to many rumours of more far reaching changes in the Hungarian Government itself.

The National Assembly meets tomorrow for the first time since its election on May 17.

Two days ago the Central Executive Committee of the Hungarian Workers (Communist) Party abolished the post of Secretary-General held by the Hungarian Prime Minister, Dr Matyas Rakosi.

Instead a new three-man Secretariat, consisting of Dr Rakosi, Mr Lajos Acs and Mr Bela Veg, was set up, according to the party organ, Szabad Nep.

MOSCOW VISIT SEQUEL

The Politbureau changes, reducing its size from 17 full members to nine full and two candidate members were dictated to Dr Rakosi during a visit he is believed to have made recently to Moscow, the Budapest sources stated.

Many observers in Vienna believed that the recent moves had weakened the personal position of the Hungarian Prime Minister.

Other striking changes were said to be the dropping of three key figures in the Army and the AVH (secret police) from the Politbureau.

The three stated to have been demoted were the Minister of Defence, General Mihaly Farkas, the Secretary of the Presidential Council of the Hungarian People's Republic, Mrs Pirooska Szabo, and the former head of the AVH, Mr Laszlo Piroos.

1,300 Germans Held In Slaughter House

Berlin, July 2. Two refugees claimed today that they had just escaped from an East Berlin slaughter house, where 1,300 people arrested after the riots, were held prisoner in "inhuman conditions." They swam to the West sector across the river Spree.

The refugees said two of the prisoners, a man aged 65 and a young woman, had gone mad and had been taken to an asylum.

In the slaughter house at Friedrichsfelde, they said, 1,000 East Berliners and 300 West Berliners were jammed together so tightly that they could only sit. The only sanitary arrangements were a row of open buckets in the hall.

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Interrogations of prisoners went on day and night. People who refused to sign "confessions" were flogged.

After a visit by a group of doctors a few days ago treatment of the prisoners had improved, they stated, and the first to be released without signing confessions left the slaughter house last week. Some had been taken away in lorries to other prisons to be held for trial.

The West Berlin Social Democrat newspaper Telegraf said today that 18 Soviet soldiers had been executed at Biederitz, near Magdeburg, for refusing to fire on German rioters on June 17. The paper also alleged that 50,000 East Germans had resigned from the Communist Party since the riots.—Reuter.

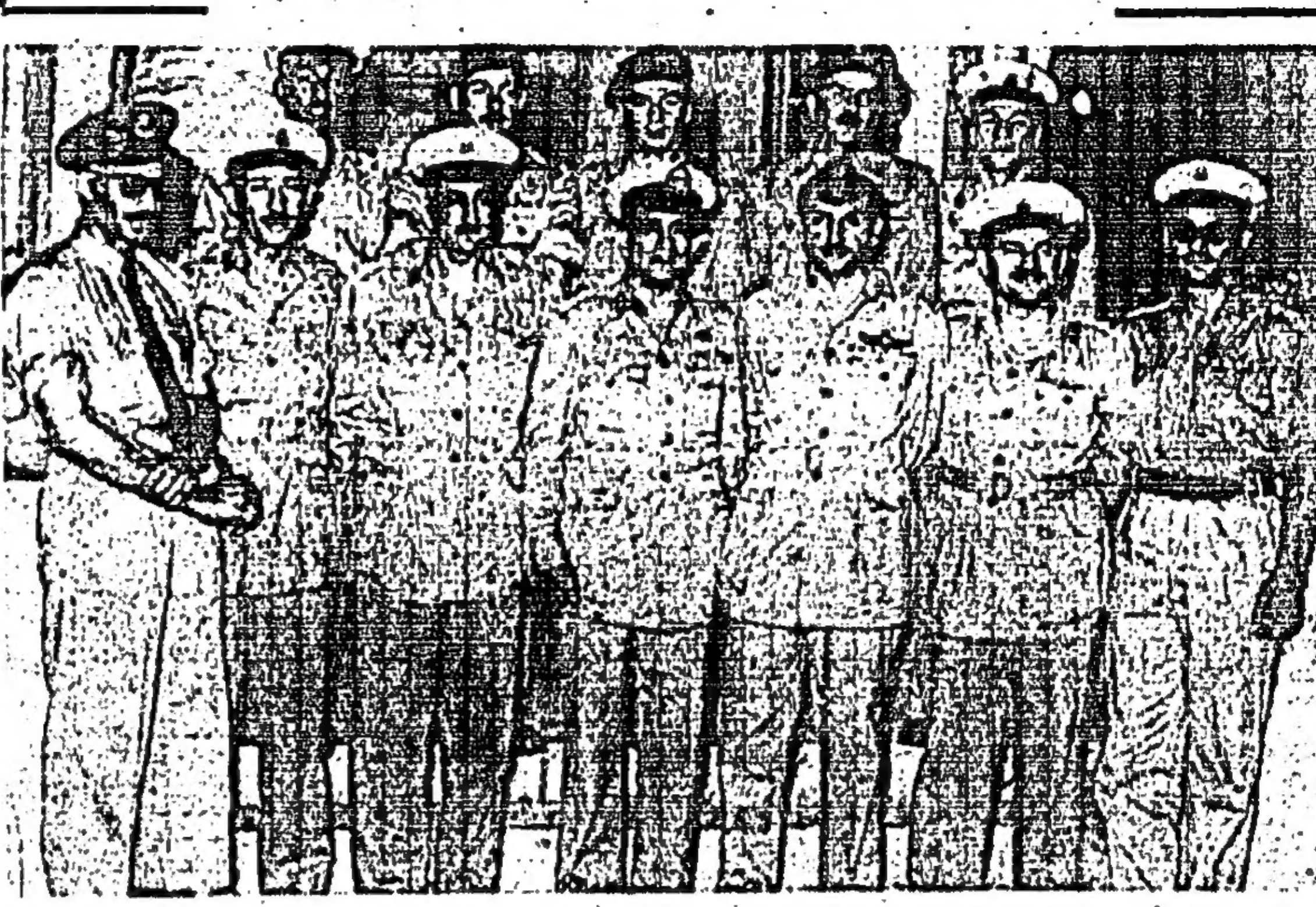
SOLDIERS REVOLT

Berlin, July 2. The East German revolt spread into the ranks of the Russian Army itself and 18 Russian soldiers have been executed for defying orders, it was reported today.

The new reports came from the West Berlin Telegraf and came amid drastic Russian and East German Communist efforts to stem unrest which spread through the five East German provinces and even into former German territory in Poland.

Approximately 20 high Soviet officials have been called to Moscow to report on the rebellion. The East German press reported the sentencing of two more persons today, one a 51-year-old woman.—United Press.

Pres. Naguib With His Ministers



General Naguib poses with members of his new council in Cairo after proclaiming the abolition of the monarchy and announcing that Egypt was to be a Republic. All Royal titles are abolished, and the 17-month old Farouk, put on the throne when Farouk was deposed on July 26, last year, will now stay in exile with his father. General Naguib has made himself President of the New Republic, as well as keeping his old post as Prime Minister. He has strengthened his hold on the country by winning men from the Revolutionary Council, the military junta that helped him depose Farouk, into what will now be an all civilian Cabinet.—London Express.

Ex-King Of Jordan In Motor Car Accident

Cairo, July 2. Ex-King Talal of Jordan suffered minor head injuries when his Mercedes-Benz car overturned at speed on the Alexandria-Cairo desert road today, killing his Aide de Camp, Lieutenant Ibrahim Asfour.

The ex-King was himself at the wheel when the high-powered car crashed into a ditch about 25 miles from the Egyptian capital and only a short distance from the British-built wartime airfield of Cairo West.

King Talal succeeded to the throne of Jordan in 1951 after the assassination of his father, King Abdullah. At the time he was in Switzerland where he had been treated for a nervous disease.

But two years later he abdicated in favour of a regency which ruled on behalf of his son, King Hussein, who was then a schoolboy at Harrow near London.

King Hussein himself succeeded to the throne last May on his 18th birthday.

King Talal was treated at the hospital for mental diseases in Cairo earlier this year.

AT HIGH SPEED

Ex-King Talal was driving his Mercedes-Benz car at high speed on the Alexandria-Cairo desert road when it overturned and crashed into a ditch.

His Aide de Camp, Lieutenant Ibrahim Asfour, of the Arab Legion, was killed in the crash, but the former monarch escaped with minor head injuries.

Two other occupants of the car, an Egyptian police officer and an Egyptian driver, from whom the ex-King had taken over the wheel, were seriously injured.

An Egyptian businessman, Abdel Kawi Ahmed, who was returning to Cairo by the same desert route, lifted the four bleeding men from the car.

They were rushed to Kasr El-Ain government hospital in Cairo, but Lieutenant Asfour died on the way.

Ex-King Talal was returning to Cairo from Alexandria. After leaving a rest house half-way between the two cities, the Ex-King took over the wheel from the Egyptian driver, Fahy Mohammed, and drove along the desert road.—Reuter.



NEURATH REPORTEL DYING

Bonn, July 2. The independent evening newspaper Der Mittag of Dusseldorf said today that Baron Konstantin Von Neurath, former German Foreign Minister now held in the four-power war criminals prison in Spandau, Berlin, was dying.

The paper said it had learned this from Allied sources in Berlin.

The Allied War Crimes Tribunal at Nuremberg sentenced Neurath to 15 years in prison in 1946.

The paper said Neurath, who is 80, was almost blind and suffering from serious rheumatism.—Reuter.

Stiff Penalties For Interlopers

Canberra, July 2. Australia today imposed stiff penalties for security violations of the Woomera rocket range where top secret new weapons are being tried.

The Defence Minister, Mr Philip McBride, announced that the penalties included seven years imprisonment for unlawful entry to the range, seven years for sabotage, and two years for illegal flying over the Woomera area.—United Press.

QUAKE ROCKS ASSAM CAPITAL

Bombay, July 2. Earth tremors last night rocked Shillong, the capital of Assam Province in Northeast India, for 30 seconds.

Observatories in Bombay and Shillong also recorded an earthquake shock of "slight intensity" with its epicentre off the Caroline Islands in the South Central Pacific.—Reuter.

Two More Ministers Fall

Mr Duncan Sandys Goes To Hospital

London, July 2. Two more key members of the British Government became invalids today, bringing to four the number of Ministers out of action.

A fifth important Conservative, Mr Brendan Bracken, who was closely associated with Sir Winston Churchill politically since before the war, was prevented by ill health from taking part in the present Government.

Today's victims of the epidemic in high places were Mr Duncan Sandys, Minister of Supplies and son-in-law of Sir Winston, and Mr Harold Macmillan, the Minister of Reconstruction, whose housing programme is a vital part of the Government's domestic policy.

Mr Sandys is suffering from circulatory troubles in a foot, but his wife said tonight that an operation had to be put off until a later date, because he needed an operation on his left hand. She said it was hoped that he would be discharged from the hospital in a few days.

Mr Macmillan, like the Foreign Secretary, Mr Anthony Eden, has a gall bladder ailment.—France-Press.

CHURCHILL, LATEST

Westminster, July 2. Sir Winston Churchill completed the first week of his enforced "rest cure" at his home here today and authoritative quarters said the 78-year-old Prime Minister continued to make progress.

Lord Moran, his personal physician did not stay overnight at Chartwell Manor, the Churchill country residence here and Sir Winston Churchill's friends regarded this as an encouraging sign.

Since last Friday when the Prime Minister bowed to his doctor's orders to rest for a month and abandon his Bermuda trip Lord Moran has spent most nights at Chartwell. Last night he returned to London, going to Westminster today to give Sir Winston Churchill his daily check over.

The Prime Minister had no luncheon party today but tonight he was entertaining his household and local government Minister Mr Harold Macmillan to dinner. Mr Macmillan, 59, is faced with the possibility of an early operation for gall bladder trouble—the complaint for which Mr Anthony Eden, Foreign Secretary has had three operations.—Reuter.

Big Four Conference Now Unlikely

WESTERN POWERS NOT TO TAKE INITIATIVE

London, July 2. Prospects for a Big Four conference with Soviet Russia in the "foreseeable future" were virtually abandoned in official British quarters today.

Informed sources said that a direct Western initiative for such a meeting is at present no longer envisaged either before or after the Washington talks between the Foreign Ministers of Britain, the United States and France.

The idea for top level talks with Soviet leaders, strongly advocated by the Prime Minister, Sir Winston Churchill, has not been dropped altogether, but it has been indefinitely postponed, according to the sources.

The Washington meeting was now expected to review urgent international and bilateral problems rather than develop into a top policy making conference. But the Ministers will, it was understood, attempt to align their policies as far as possible to be prepared for any new Soviet move which officials here believe will come shortly.

MOSCOW PREPARING

Diplomatic reports reaching London indicated that in the absence of a Western approach the Soviet were out to take the initiative and urge four-Power talks. There was, in fact, more evidence today that Moscow is preparing for some such move to coincide with the Washington meeting or even to precede it.

The Kremlin was reported here today to be at present re-examining its overall policy prior to any formal approach to the West. It was authoritatively disclosed that in its recent note to Turkey the Kremlin had specifically mentioned that its foreign policy was "under review."

Russia's top Ambassadors in the West recalled two days ago to Moscow are taking part in this review. The Soviet Ambassador to Iran is also in Moscow and unconfirmed reports claimed that her Ambassador to Peking is also returning for consultation.

The West, anticipating new Moscow suggestions for a settlement of the German question will give priority consideration to this issue in Washington though there is already full agreement on the terms for German unification which have the approval of the Federal Chancellor, Dr Konrad Adenauer.—United Press.

NATIVES GO TO RESCUE OF PRIESTS

Nairobi, July 2. Catholic priests rallied Africans around them to beat off a Mau Mau gang which attacked their mission in the Nyeri area today.

Three terrorists were killed before the gang fled. In the Fort Hall area a Mau Mau gang attacked a Loyalist post and killed three guards before burning down the seven huts in the camp.

The terrorists were dressed in police uniform and carried rifles.

Troops who found a Mau Mau slaughterhouse recovered nearly 100 head of cattle.—Reuter.

Nairobi, July 2. Members of the Kenya's security forces appeared in court here today accused of the manslaughter of an African alleged to have died as a result of a beating they administered. The two men, Richard Geoffrey Kenes, a senior officer of the Kenya Police Reserve and Jack Lionel Ruben, a Sergeant of the Kenya Regiment, were granted bail until July 17 when the hearing will begin.—Reuter.

Loan Of Carrier Recommended

Washington, July 2. The Senate Armed Services Committee today recommended to the Senate the immediate loan of an aircraft carrier to France for use in the Indo-China war. The Committee also recommended the loan of two modernised Snorkel submarines to Italy to strengthen North Atlantic Treaty defences.—Reuter.

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RECIPROCAL TRADE BILL

Legislation In U.S. Heading Towards Passage

Wheat Pact Extension

Washington, July 2. The Senate Foreign Relations Committee today approved a three-year extension of the International Wheat Agreement, to stabilize world wheat prices.

The agreement, which was signed by 45 countries in Washington recently, Britain withdrew from the original agreement because the new ceiling price was raised from 180 cents to 205 cents a bushel, which she claimed, was too high.

The bill was sent to the Senate for approval. — Reuter.

Sterilisation Not An Effect Of Atomic Radiation

Washington, July 2. Japanese exposed to radiation from World War II atom bomb blasts have about the same number of children as the general population of Japan.

This conclusion — which tends to explode predictions of mass atomic sterilisation — was reached after the Atomic Energy Commission's survey of Hiroshima and Nagasaki survivors.

BRITAIN'S POSITION IN MALAYA

Will Be Part Of Anglo-U.S. Talks

London, July 2. The position in Malaya will feature in the bilateral Anglo-American talks which either precede or follow the Bermuda Conference on Foreign Ministers, it is believed in diplomatic quarters.

Britain's anti-bandit campaign on the Peninsula has been very successful during the past 12 months but it is recognised here that permanent stability for the Colony is dependent upon anti-Communist operations in other neighbouring areas.

President Eisenhower yesterday listed Malaya among six likely agenda items for the conference and the possibility is not excluded here that it will play a part in a full three-power discussion on Asia's problems.

President Eisenhower emphasized that the meeting would be a friendly and partly informal one.

In addition to the three-power talks on matters of interest to the Big Three Western Powers as a group, both the British and the French delegations will have separate conversations with the United States Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, and his advisers.

On the agenda for the Anglo-American bilateral talks are the deadlock in Anglo-Egyptian relations and the position in the Middle East as well as the British campaign against Communist guerrillas in Malaya. — Reuter.

Pope Receives Stevenson

Vatican City, July 2. Pope Pius XII today received in a special audience Mr. Adlai Stevenson, defeated Democratic candidate for the U.S. presidency, who is here on a six-day visit.

The audience was held in the Sala of St. John on the second floor of the Apostolic Palace and lasted 10 minutes.

Mr. Stevenson arrived in Rome on June 30 on the final stage of a private round-the-world tour. — United Press.

Substitute Measure May Be Introduced By Protectionist

Washington, July 2.

The Administration bill to extend the Reciprocal Trade law for one year was headed toward easy Senate passage today with overwhelming support from both Republicans and Democrats.

The bill is to extend presidential tariff cutting powers of the 19-year-old reciprocal trade law until June 12, 1954.

Senator George W. Malone, a Republican, and a relentless foe of the trade agreement programme, plans to offer a substitute bill. His bill would set up a flexible import fee system fixing tariff rates to equalise labour costs between America and other countries.

The Senate defeated a Malone bill by a vote of 65 to 15 in 1951 when it approved 72-2 a two-year extension of the law.

President Eisenhower asked this year for a one-year extension to keep the law in force pending an overall study of foreign trade and tariffs by a special commission.

The pending bill would set up a temporary bi-partisan commission of 17 members to make the study. It would be composed of seven presidential appointees, five Senators and five House members.

After a Senate Republican conference yesterday, Chairman Eugene D. Milliken predicted that GOP Senators "with few exceptions" would support the bill.

The Reciprocal Trade law now authorizes the President to negotiate agreements with other countries to make mutual concessions lowering trade barriers.

MAY OBJECT

Republican opposition has faded in recent years as the law has been amended to provide special safeguards for domestic industries injured by foreign competition.

The pending bill contains one provision which may lead to an argument between the House and the Senate.

The House voted to enlarge the bi-partisan six-member Tariff Commission to seven members to give the Republicans a majority.

On the other hand, the Senate Finance Committee recommended that the six-member Commission be retained. It proposed that the Commission be permitted to give two sets of recommendations to the President whenever it was divided by a tie vote. — United Press.

FREE TRADE DRIVE

San Francisco, July 3. A drive for fewer international trade barriers and greater investment abroad is gaining strength among Pacific coast business men.

Three major statements calling for the levelling of tariff trade barriers and "export of capital" have been made during recent weeks. More are expected.

The San Francisco Chamber of Commerce issued a formal declaration of policy advocating the revision of United States tariff laws to permit greater trade between nations.

Mr. Ted Petersen, President of the Standard Oil Company of California, urged that all current tariff laws should be thrown away and a new approach made to the problem.

The latest spokesman for the Conservative "free trade" group in the West is Mr. John L. Simpson, Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Bechtel Corporation, which has large construction interests in all sections of the world.

"We are certainly in the foreign investment business," he said, "and the question is not whether we have to deal with the problem, but why, how and on what terms."

AMERICAN ROLE

Mr. Simpson admitted that the United States may have been forced a bit unwillingly into the field of major foreign investment. What he described as the "violent upheavals of the past 40 years" had thrust the United States forward as a world leader.

LEGAL BATTLE FOR OIL

Hearing Adjourned By Tribunal

Rome, July 2. The legal battle for the ownership of 40,000 tons of Persian oil continued today when a tribunal adjourned hearings of five suits brought by the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company against a firm of Italian importers.

The British company claims possession of five cargoes of Persian oil brought to Italy earlier this year by the Supor Company.

Two 5,000-ton cargoes were carried in the tanker Mirabella, two of 10,000 tons in the Alba and another 10,000-ton load was brought in the Drezza.

Anglo-Iranian claim that the law suits stem from its declared policy of "safeguarding our rights to oil from our concession areas in Persia" nationalised in April 1951.

After negotiations for compensation broke down, Persia ordered the British staff out of the oil port and refinery town of Abadan in October 1951 and broke off diplomatic relations a year later.

The tribunal judge today said he would decide later whether to call on Supor to show its contract with the National Persian Oil Company for the purchase of 5,000 tons of oil loaded by the Mirabella at Venice in February. He postponed hearings on two other cargoes until October 6.

Anglo-Iranian also has a suit pending against the EPIM Company of Ellore de la Zona which imported 5,000 tons of Persian oil in the Panamanian tanker, Pax, last May. The suit was recently postponed to September 18. — Reuter.

'Prop' Plane Is Still A Good Export

Small piston-engined planes still form an important part of Britain's exports.

The demand for British light planes is worldwide. They have been bought by France, Japan, New Zealand, India, the Belgian Congo and Venezuela.

In Australasia their use includes the spotting of whales and the spreading of fertiliser. Iraq uses them for anti-smuggling duties.

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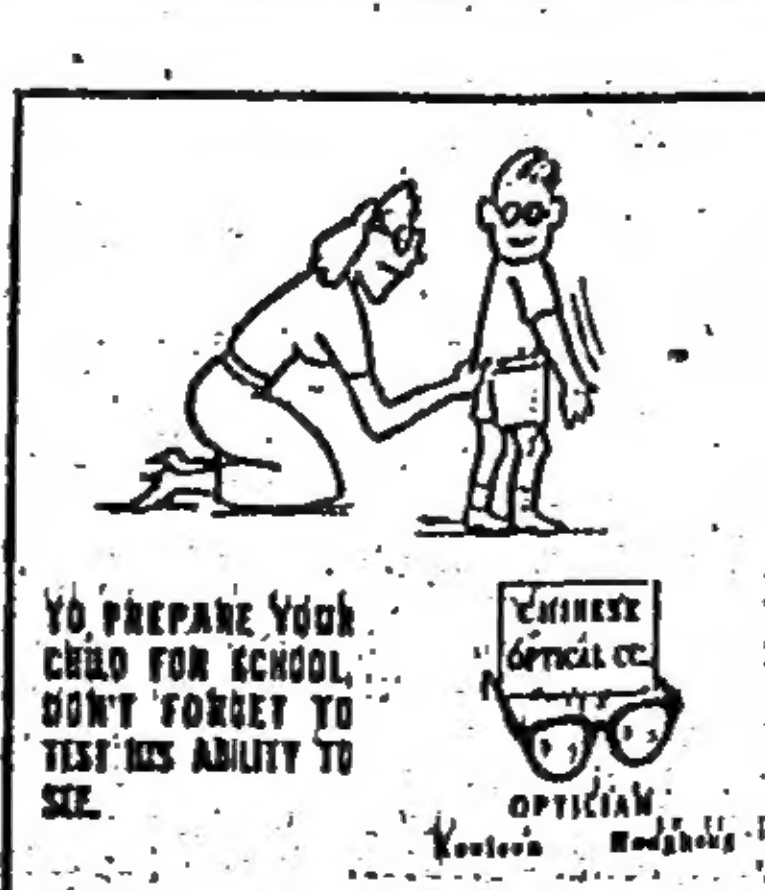
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Gigantic Stride In Medical Research

Washington, July 2. A new kind of medical research centre devoted to conquering chronic diseases which all man was opened today by the United States Government.

Congress provided funds for the construction of the 14-story building and will vote money for its operating costs.

The research will cover seven major fields: cancer, heart disease, arthritis, mental ailments, epilepsy, rheumatic fever and dental diseases.

Dr Henry Seabell, head of the National Institute of Health, described the centre as a revolutionary stride in medical research.

"For the first time in history we will be able to integrate laboratory and clinical research so that there can be a complete study of the chronic diseases that kill men," he said.

All patients at the centre will be volunteers. Its first patients, eight women cancer sufferers, will be admitted on Monday. It is capable of holding 500 non-paying patients.

The Centre's Director, Dr John Trauman, said that only people recommended by physicians, hospitals or medical schools would be admitted. They would all fulfil a special requirement.

Every step of their treatment would be explained to them as it progressed but they could leave when they wished.—Reuter.

FRENCH ATTEMPT ON NUN KUN

Bombay, July 2. Michel de Sorbay, member of the seven-man French mountaineering expedition to the 23,000-foot Himalayan Peak of Nun Kun, arrived this morning from Colombo on the liner Strathmore.

The leader of the expedition, Bernard Lheroy, and three other French climbers are expected to arrive in India this week-end.—Reuter.

NZ Premier Leaves

London, July 2. Mr Sidney Holland, Prime Minister of New Zealand, left London by air today for Amsterdam on his way home after the Convention and the Commonwealth conference in London.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS
1 Large numbers (6).
4 Room (5).
7 Talking wildly (6).
10 Uncanny (5).
10 Fasteners (4).
12 Labelled (7).
15 Tree (6).
16 Ceremony (4).
17 Smooth (4).
20 Mature (5).
20 Far (7).
21 Settlement (4).
23 Make reparation (5).
24 Gambling-place (6).
25 Colour (5).
26 Nook (6).

- DOWN
1 Denuded (8).
2 Progresses (6).
3 Repair (4).
5 Gets ready (6).
6 Band instrument (6).
9 Worth (5).
11 Judgment (8).
12 Menus (5).
13 Treat lightly (8).
14 Snatches utterly (8).
15 Dry (6).
22 Bundle (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD. — Across: 3 Approach, 8 Umpire, 9 Repelled, 11 Compiled, 12 Orr, 13 Larks, 18 Lasts, 19 Earn, 24 Limiting, 24 Exploded, 25 Severe, 26 Luckless. Down: 1 Bunch, 2 Spume, 3 Arrival, 4 Peel, 5 Rued, 6 Allegre, 7 Hidden, 10 Pocket, 14 Rubid, 16 Strides, 18 Reveal, 17 Troop, 20 Cider, 21 Agree, 22 Loll, 23 Mess.

Show Increase

(By SYDNEY CAMPBELL)

London, July 2.

The sterling area's gold and dollar reserves increased by \$46,000,000 during June, the Treasury announced today.

This increase brought the reserves to \$2,367,000,000 on June 30, their highest level since early in 1952 but still far below the mid-1951 peak of \$3,867,000,000.

June's increase included \$28,000,000 of defence aid from the United States and \$10,000,000 from the European Payments Union, in part payment of the sterling area's surplus with the Union during May.

The May surplus equalled \$20,000,000, half of which was payable to Britain in dollars during June.

Provisionally, the Treasury also announced that the surplus with the EPU for June fell to only £1,500,000, equal to about \$4,000,000.

This will be settled during July, half of it by dollar payment to Britain and the other half by reduction of Britain's debt to the EPU.

Thanks only to United States defence aid — which increased from \$13,000,000 in May to \$28,000,000 in June, — and to the payment in June on the EPU surplus for May, June's increase of \$46,000,000 in the reserves compares fairly well with the increase of \$43,000,000 during May.

But on current accounts June was by far the least gratifying month of this year. The surplus with the dollar area has slumped from \$75,000,000 in April to only \$8,000,000 in June.

The surplus with the European Payments Union has fallen even more sharply from \$42,000,000 in April to only \$8,000,000 in June.

Agriculture Output Up

London, July 2. Britain's 1949-1950 agricultural output in 1949-1950 reached £900,000,000 compared with the £291,000,000 pre-war average, Government statistics showed today.

A report said the value has risen steadily year by year but started recording the steepest increases in 1947 when farmers were authorised to charge much higher prices.

Crop yields continued the upward trend which began during the war.

Milk production reached 2,160,000,000 gallons in 1949-1950 compared with a pre-war average of 1,781,000,000 gallons.

Eggs output in the same year rose by 6,729,000,000 over the pre-war figure of 5,414,000,000.—Reuter.

McCARTHY IGNORES QUESTION

Washington, July 2. Mr Doxy A. Wilkerson, an author, refused to tell the Senate Investigations Sub-Committee today whether he is a Communist or in the pay of the Communist Party.

Senator Joseph McCarthy, chairman of the sub-committee, told Mr Wilkerson, a writer on Negro problems: "We find that the old State Department was purchasing your books and spreading them around the world allegedly to fight Communism."

"May I ask what books of mine were used?" asked Mr Wilkerson. He repeated the question but each time Senator McCarthy ignored it.

Mr Wilkerson invoked constitutional protection against possible self-incrimination and refused to say whether he was or had been a Communist.—Reuter.

Saigon Port Activity Shows Rise

Saigon, July 2. Imports and exports by coastal and ocean shipping in Saigon during the first five months of this year amounted to nearly 1,000,000 tons, showing an increase of 60,000 tons as compared with the first five months of 1952 and 230,000 tons with the corresponding period in 1951.

This increase in the total volume of trade was due to a steady rise in imports. The volume of exports registered a slight decline. Imports for the first five months in 1953 totalled 420,000 tons, which rose to 614,000 tons in 1952 and to 600,000 tons in 1951. The greater part of the imports was brought in by ocean-going steamers. Goods landed by coastal shipping increased by a less marked degree, the 1952 figure being 8,000 tons higher than that of 1951, and that of 1953 3,000 tons more than that of 1952.

Exports made through ocean-going vessels for the same period in 1953 were 54,000 tons, compared with 100,000 and 100,000 tons respectively for the corresponding periods in 1952 and 1951.—France-Press.

Forced Over Border



An amusing incident in the recent East Berlin riots was the misadventure suffered by one of the East German Deputy Premiers, Otto Nuschke, who was forced over the border line into West Berlin by the demonstrators. Nuschke, who was returned to the Eastern zone later by the Western authorities, is shown here being interviewed.—Express Photo

Life In Hungary A Long Battle For Survival

(Edward M. Korry, United Press Manager for France, was one of a group of correspondents admitted to Hungary for a Communist-sponsored "peace" conference. It was his first visit since 1949 when he attended the trial of Josef Cardinal Mindszenty. In the following despatch, one of a series, Korry tells of life in a Soviet satellite).

By EDWARD M. KORRY

Budapest, July 2.

The most difficult struggle of all in Communist Hungary is the daily battle to exist.

The recent revolts of Czechoslovak and East German workers are better understood after observing the daily fight for survival here, after seeing the long queues outside food and pawn shops, after feeling the shoddy goods with their outrageous price tags and after learning how real wages have declined 40 per cent since my last visit here four years ago.

In 1949 the Government published for the last time the average weekly food bill for a Hungarian worker's family of four. As reported by the Hungarian statistical office the average for January, 1949 was 90.36 forints (11.65 forints to the US\$1).

Using the same list and the same quantities as given by the official Communist bulletin the same family was spending 128.29 forints by November, 1951, 243.02 by June, 1952, and 278.15 today.

These figures more than any others explain the disappointment of the proletariat which the Communists have created in the Eastern nations at such a terrible price in human and material resources.

The nation-wide pay increase of 15 to 20 per cent in 1951, which coincided with the end of rationing, has been more than wiped out by the ever-rising prices and ever lower living standard.

BASIC REASONS

Last Summer's drought, the creation of a 185,000-man army, created as an elite, the huge investment in the development of heavy industry, the tremendous shipments of food and fodder to the Soviet Union and the "ownership" of many leading industries, the mismanagement by ill-trained technicians—these are some of the more basic reasons behind the depressed standard of living.

The average working month here is 210 hours. The average wage is about 800 forints with some office workers getting 600 and a Stakhanovite skilled machinist drawing 2,000 monthly. Thus, the average hourly rate is between three and four forints. (20 and 34 US cents). What can a Hungarian buy for three or four forints for an hour of labour, his only true

Three Lessons Learned In Korean War Re-Emphasised

MILITARY EXPERT'S REVIEW

New York, July 2.

Hanson W. Baldwin wrote in the New York Times today that it seemed justified to say there were three lessons learned in the Korean war which needed re-emphasising.

He quoted the German philosopher Hegel to the effect that "people and Governments have never learned anything from history".

Mr Baldwin said these lessons learned in the early months of the Korean war and underscored during three years of combat were:

1. "The necessity for a better understanding by Americans of the Asian mind."
2. "The almost complete dependence of the South Korean Army on United States aid."
3. "The limitations of air power and sea forces in severance of enemy communications lines and in the control of land areas."

In discussing the first point Mr Baldwin recalled the early defeats in Korea, the prisoner-of-war riots and, more recently,

"ARRIBA" ACCUSES CHURCHILL

'Trying To Sabotage Defence Talks'

Madrid, July 2.

The Spanish Falange newspaper Arriba said today that Sir Winston Churchill, the British Prime Minister, was trying to "sabotage Spanish-North American defence talks".

The paper alleged this was revealed in reports from the United States that Gibraltar might become a naval command centre for the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO).

Arriba, which frequently reflects official opinion, added: "At the now abandoned Bermuda meeting, Churchill intended to include on the agenda once again British hostility towards Spain."

"Churchill was prepared to travel to Bermuda to sabotage Spanish-North American conversations".

Arriba is the first comment by a Spanish newspaper on the reports, though news agency despatches from Washington have appeared—with headlines such as "British Generosity," "Gibraltar offered to NATO"—Reuter.

America Expresses Disapproval

(From Duke Wright)

Colombo, July 2.

The latest American expression of disapproval of Ceylon's continued exports of rubber to Communist China is seen in the United States Government's attempt to control the uses to which Ceylon may put a helicopter she intends to buy from America at a cost of 250,000 rupees.

Sir Claude Corea, Ceylon's Ambassador in Washington, has informed his Government that the U.S. Government wants a list of purposes for which the aircraft is to be used before she will issue an export permit.

The Americans also require a specific assurance that the helicopter will not be used for spraying rubber plantations.

In addition to such work as assisting to control illicit immigration from India and air-sea rescue work, however, Ceylon intended to use the helicopter for spraying rubber crops.

This latest American request is now receiving careful attention from Premier Senanayake and his Ministers.—London Express Service.

Walk To Work

Brussels, July 2.

Brussels people walked and hitched lifts to work today for the second time in a fortnight as city tramwaymen staged a 24-hour strike.

The Socialist Tramwaymen's Union has called the strike in support of higher wage demands.—Reuter.

Joint Inquiry To Be Held

Belgrade, July 2. Rumanian and Yugoslav officials will meet this month to discuss the settling up of joint inquiry teams to investigate frontier incidents, the Yugoslav Foreign Ministry said today.

The Ministry statement confirmed Yugoslav press reports that Rumania has accepted a Yugoslav proposal to investigate jointly some 78 incidents which, Yugoslavia claims, Rumania provoked over the last five months.—Reuter.

TECHNICAL AID PLANS HAMPERED

Geneva, July 2. The United Nations Technical Assistance Board reported today that lack of funds was hampering the development of the technical assistance programme.

The Board's fifth report says the number of countries and territories receiving assistance rose from 71 to 97 by the end of 1952.

Assistance, continuing from 1952 and requested for 1953, totals \$37,700,000 (about £13,405,000) which, with expected overhead cost, is more than 75 per cent larger than the funds that can be expected this year, the report declared.

"As a result of this great growth in demand, 1953 will be a year of consolidation and even of retrenchment," it adds.

"The reduction in the expanded programme is one with which the General Assembly has shown concern," the report goes on.

"It is now hoped that the target figure for 1954 may be announced at a forthcoming meeting of the Economic and Social Council."—Reuter.

Suspicious Of Benefits From Unesco

Paris, July 2. The United States is making a special investigation and analysis of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (Unesco) to determine whether it should continue to enjoy American support, it was reliably reported today.

The American investigation, reliable sources said, is being made for President Eisenhower, the State Department and Congress.

It is under the direction of Colonel Irving Solomon, head of the United States delegation at the current Unesco general conference.

The new American administration has decided to re-examine the official policy towards Unesco. Colonel Solomon and his staff of eight members will ask questions as to what the United States is getting out of Unesco, whether criticism of Unesco is justified, whether and how closely the agency is living up to its original purposes, and whether other countries, particularly the under-developed nations, are benefiting from its work.—Reuter.

Yugoslav Refugees

Rome, July 2.

The Italian Government last month granted asylum to 43 Yugoslav refugees who fled because they did not want to live under the Communist regime, it was learned today.—Reuter.

French Attack On European Army

Paris, July 2.

The French Socialist Party today began its four-day National Congress with a motion on its agenda criticising the "pseudo-European Army."

The motion has been put by M. Robert Lacoste, a former Minister under General de Gaulle, and who is expected to be elected to the post of Secretary-General of the Party.

It says the European Army's "largest effective are uniquely composed of Frenchmen and Germans."

"It will be practically a Franco-German army with the Scandinavians refusing to accept even the idea and the British granting it a purely literary association."

The rank and file deputies are expected to support M. Lacoste's motion that the "Socialist Party is in a state of crisis in a country in a state of crisis."

The motion calls for a re-novel of the "propaganda

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"BENCLEUCH"	U.K.	16th Aug.

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"BENATTOW"	Liverpool, Dublin, Rotterdam and Hamburg	12th July
"BENCRACHAN"	Havre, London, Rotterdam and Antwerp	16th July
"BENLEDI"	Kure, Kobe and Yokohama	26th July
"BENALDER"	Liverpool, Glasgow, Rotterdam and Hull	31st July

"BENLEDI"	Direct to Singapore, thence London, Antwerp, Rotterdam and Hamburg	15th Aug.
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Companies Winding-up
No. 6 of 1953.

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IN THE MATTER of the Companies Ordinance (Chapter 32).

Notice is hereby given that a Petition for the winding-up of the abovesaid Company by the Supreme Court of Hong Kong was on the 24th day of June 1953, presented to the said Court by Li Hing of No. 10, Hing Hon Road, First Floor, Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong, and that the said Petition is directed to be heard at the said Court on Friday the 17th day of July 1953, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon; and any creditor or contributory of the said Company desirous to support or oppose the making of an order on the said Petition may appear at the time of hearing by himself or his counsel for that purpose; and a copy of the said Petition will be furnished to any creditor or contributory of the said Company requiring the same by the undersigned, on payment of the regulated charge for the same.

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Probate Jurisdiction

IN THE GOODS of Kishinev and Boulstram Melvill late of 217 Princess Street, Hongkong India, Merchant, deceased.

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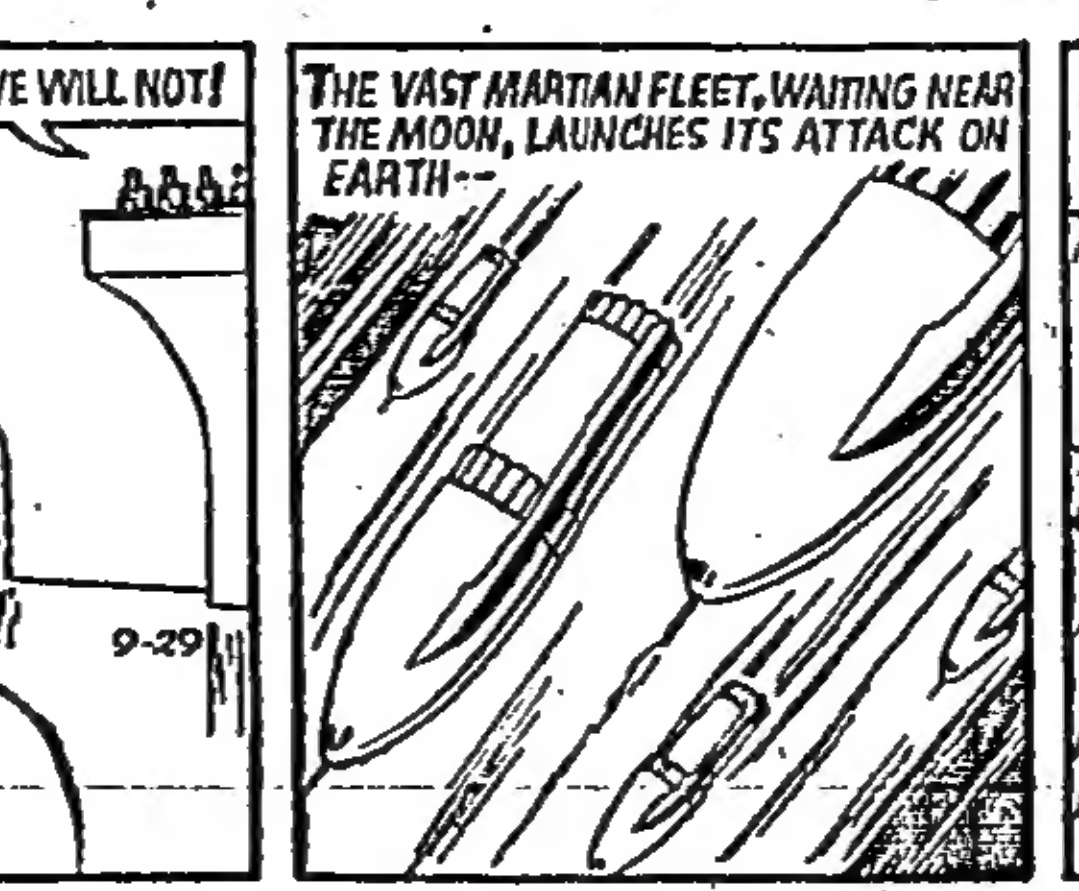
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Sheila in Mayfair

THE gracious house in Mayfair must have seen many girls of about Sheila's age, pass nervously across its threshold, themselves upon the threshold of their own careers.

Within the memory of living men, girls going to work in the house would arrive with all their possessions stowed in a bag of plaited straw and creep down the area steps to become near-slaves for a salary of a few pounds a year.

Now the house has radically changed in character. The ponderous furniture and family portraits are gone, and the brie-a-brac, so highly prized, that once such an iron nerve to dust, has lain many years undisturbed and unwanted, on the shelves of curio dealers. Strip lighting has replaced the chandeliers, and typewriters chatter purposefully everywhere.

NO CREEPING

From being the town house of a magnate, the handsome building has become, like many of its neighbours, a bustling office. And nowadays, girls who want jobs there do not creep in by the area steps.

They enter by the front door and board the house's new master in his den, delete their stern terms to him, and demand for one week of their labour a sum like serving girl of another day would have deemed fair pay for a year's work.

Sheila began work at the house last month, as a copy-typist. She is a slim, dark-haired, attractive, 21-year-old, and this was her fourth job in the six years since she left school. How good a copy-typist she was, we have no means of knowing. But the next way she dresses and the pose she assumes both suggest she is the kind of girl who would be thorough in anything she put her hand to.

Unfortunately, she put her hand to other things beside her work. One day recently two girls who worked in the same office, though not in the same room, as Sheila, reported to the management that money was missing from their handbags. In one case, 10s. had gone, in the other, 9s.

The management called in the police for a thief at large in an office can wreck morale more quickly than almost anything else. The police arrived; one by one they interviewed all the girls who worked in the building. For a frightening half-morning suspicion lay equally upon everyone.

HER TURN

At last, it was Sheila's turn to be interviewed. "I... I..." she began, and then her confession came tumbling out.

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Indo-China As Top Subject For Discussion

Washington, July 2. Authoritative diplomatic sources said today Indo-China may outrank in importance even the problems of a Korean truce and the four-power conference when Foreign Ministers of France, Great Britain and the United States meet here next week.

They understood that French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault will expect that top priority be given to Indo-China because the French National Assembly and public opinion is strongly against the indefinite continuance of this war.

It is not impossible, they said, that Bidault will warn his colleagues that unless this war can be brought to a satisfactory conclusion soon, the French Assembly may refuse to vote further credits for carrying on the defence of Indo-China.

PUBLIC OPINION

They expect Bidault to point out that the Assembly has to take as much note of its public opinion as Congress does of the United States opinion in regard to foreign policy. Moreover, they said considerable significance should attach to the fact that the Government of Premier Joseph Laniel has abolished the Ministry of the Associated States of Indo-China and for the present at least there is no High Commissioner for Indo-China.

They regarded the abolition of this ministry as signifying that France has agreed to give as much autonomy as possible to the Associated States within the French Union.

Consequently the only real problem that exists at present is the carrying out of the fighting in Indo-China under the direction of the French High Command.

They also believe Bidault will say that with the prospect of an armistice in Korea, French public opinion through its representatives in the Assembly is likely to object to the fact that Frenchmen would then be the only Westerners being killed in the East.

The sources said the recent appointment of General Navarre as French Commander-in-Chief in Indo-China is significant because of his experience of the war of mobility and commando type operation.

MOBILE FRONT

Consequently, they believe that Navarre considers the war might be brought to an early end if the whole front in Indo-China were made mobile. This, they said, would entail supplying the French Union and local forces in Indo-China with more fighter and transport planes, helicopters and landing craft so that anti-Communist forces could be continuously invading all points of Communist Vietnamese-held territories. They said there is more than enough road transportation in Indo-China, but due to the lack of road communications, air and sea mobility is of far greater importance there.

They stressed that quick delivery of the aircraft carrier recently requested by France for Indo-China would be helpful. Failure to get a three-power agreement on Indo-China at next week's conference might have drastic repercussions on Southeast Asia, they said.

If the repercussions are unfavourable to the anti-Communist cause in Southeast Asia, the strategic security in the Far East would be seriously menaced and the United States might have to build up Thailand as the Gibraltar of Southeast Asia, they contended. — United Press.

S'pore's New Power Station

Singapore, July 3. A new \$90,000,000 power station will be officially opened here today. It is said to rank as one of the most efficient power stations constructed in the Far East.

The opening ceremony will be presided over by Sir John Nicoll, Singapore Governor, this afternoon.

The new power house is equipped for a maximum installed capacity of 152,000 kilowatts. — United Press.

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"You'd better drop in, Doctor! His blood pressure went down when Stalin died, but Malenkov's got it up again!"

US Ambassador To PI Criticised

Manila, July 3.

The Liberal Party headed by President Quirino has denounced United States Ambassador Raymond Spruance for "meddling" in local politics and threatened to elevate the case to a government level.

This development came in the wake of Nacionalista Party Presidential Candidate Ramon Magsaysay's claim in a speech made on Wednesday that American aid will cease unless the Quirino administration is changed.

A Party press release on Thursday night said Magsaysay's insistence on such a claim confirmed allegedly reliable reports received by Liberal Party headquarters to the effect that the former Defence Secretary has been authorised by the American envoy to make such statements. The statement called this an "unmistakable indication of American interference in local politics."

"The Liberal Party refuses to believe that the American people will tolerate such interference on the part of their representatives in this country," the release said.

But, it said, failure of the American Embassy to announce Magsaysay's warning as unacceptable could only lead to the conclusion that somebody has indeed encouraged the Nacionalista candidate in his campaign for the Presidency.

The statement declared that unless Spruance denies the truth of Magsaysay's claim, the Liberal Party would be "compelled to make formal representations with the proper authorities for drastic action."

Simultaneously Malacanang Palace issued a statement saying that by Magsaysay's claim, he "once more revealed himself to be the ill-informed, if not indeed ignorant and irresponsible aspirant" to the presidency.

It said the former Defence Chief does not understand the "historic background and the mutual character of the defence and other aid arrangements between the two countries" or that he "presumes to be a spokesman of the American Government."

"It is most unfortunate that Magsaysay should talk the way he now does as if he knew the mind of the American Government or that he is so vital to American interests that the administration in Washington would do his bidding," the statement said.

"He cannot but put the American Government and public in bad light in the manner he represents them as actively influencing the cause of politics in this country."

It also said Magsaysay now is showing himself to be more a clown of words than the man of action that he claims to be. — United Press.

Rhee Hears Some Plain Speaking

Tokyo, July 3.

President Eisenhower's special envoy called on Korean President Syngman Rhee this morning and did some plain talking as the American delegation adopted a firmer attitude toward attempts to block a Korean truce.

US Assistant Secretary of State Walter Robertson delivered a reply to Rhee's letter of Wednesday, in which the ROK President said his position had not changed since his talks with Robertson started a week ago.

Although the contents of Robertson's written reply were not definitely known, it was reported by reliable sources that it said the Robertson mission has full authority to present the final position of the US, and that the US and the UN are going ahead with plans for a truce, with Rhee or without him.

Robertson is stating the US "firmer" attitude. There will be no table pounding in the US "firmer" attitude. Robertson is determined to keep the discussions "friendly and dignified."

The ROK President was believed sticking to his original demands—a ninety-day limit on the postwar political conference and a mutual security pact with the US.

It was also understood that the US is willing to accept a time limit, but is firmly opposed to any agreement that will commit UN forces to resume the war if unification of Korea is not accomplished within that period. — United Press.

Firm's Cashier Embezzles \$53,000: Sent To Prison

For embezzling over \$50,000 from Messrs Thoresen & Co. Ltd., the 33-year-old cashier of the Company, Siu Kwok-shing, was sentenced to 29 months' hard labour by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning on three counts of embezzlement and one count of fraudulent conversion.

According to the Prosecution, on June 18, the defendant told Mr Anderson, the accountant of Thoresen & Co., that during the last five or six years, he had embezzled around \$50,000 of the firm's money.

Important Victory For Eisenhower

House Backs Air Force Budget

Washington, July 2.

The House of Representatives today gave President Eisenhower a major policy victory by defeating attempts to add \$1,175,000,000 to his budget for the Air Force.

Voice votes turned down four amendments by Mr George H. Mahon (Democrat, Texas) to increase the budget by this amount—the minimum which General Hoyt Vandenberg, former Air Force Chief of Staff, said was needed to keep the Air Force expanding to 143 wings by mid-1957.

The Eisenhower administration cut \$5,000,000,000 from the budget recommended by former President Truman for the Air Force.

The Air Force budget amended by the Eisenhower administration was for \$11,000,000,000, representing a cut of \$5,000,000,000 from the amount recommended by President Truman.

The Secretary of Defence, Mr Charles E. Wilson, had contended that the build up of combat air strength would be more rapid under the new plans than under those made during the Truman administration.

The immediate goal was an Air Force of 120 wings. A wing consists of from 30 to 75 planes, depending on the type of aircraft.

TENTATIVE ACTION

The action of Mr Mahon's amendments was tentative in that it could be changed before final passage of the Defence Department appropriation.

Earlier the House tentatively approved without change \$12,082,000,000 for the Army, \$9,384,383,000 for the Navy and \$10,105,000,000 for the Secretary of Defence.

The House also approved plans for the building of a third 60,000-ton aircraft carrier. Funds for all the armed services and the Defence Department were in one big bill carrying a total of \$34,434,140,500 as it came from the House Appropriations Committee.

The Committee's recommendations as to the Army and Navy were accepted by the House when these sections of the bill were read and no one raised objection.

They provided: Army—\$12,082,000,000. This is \$689,000,000 less than President Eisenhower requested but nearly \$900,000,000 more than was recommended by former President Truman because the total included Korean war costs.

Navy—\$9,384,383,000. This is \$2,000,000,000 under the Truman budget and \$308,280,000 less than the Eisenhower request.

Republican leaders counted heavily on a direct appeal by President Eisenhower to defeat a Democratic attempt to increase the Air Force. — Reuter.

Consular Appointments

The Government Gazette announced today that the Queen's Exequatur empowering Signor Guido Belli to act as Consul-General for Italy, and Messrs G.C. Tullock and J.K. Hollaway to act as Vice-Consuls for the United States of America at Hongkong, have received Her Majesty's signature.

It was also announced that H.E. the Governor has recognised Monsieur A. Sandoz as Acting Vice-Consul in charge of the Swiss Consulate, and Mr M.W. Meyer as Vice-Consul for the United States of America in Hongkong.

Death Of Mr Hugh Nish

Well-Known Former Hongkong Resident

His many friends in Hongkong will learn with regret of the death of Mr Hugh Nish, former Sworn Measurer, which occurred this week at Rockingham, Western Australia. He was 66 years of age.

The late Mr Nish settled in Hongkong in 1922, and in 1931 he took over the office of the Sworn Measurer from Captain B. Branch, its originator, when he retired.

But prior to this Mr Nish was a seaman. He first went to sea in 1903 and for eight years served his apprenticeship in the sailing ships of the famous Thompson and Anderson ship-crafting firm, of Liverpool.

His first sight of Hongkong was in 1911 when he was Third Officer on the Blue Funnel liner Ulysses.

During World War I Mr Nish was on Dover Patrol, RNVR, after which he returned to Blue Funnel ships which then carried munitions from Montreal to England. After sailing various capacities on Blue Funnel ships, Mr Nish became Chief Officer of the Polyphemos, and was later appointed to the Far East Freight Conference, spending his time in Kobe, Shanghai, Yokohama, Tientsin and Hongkong. In 1922 he joined the P. and O. and remained in Hongkong.

The late Mr Nish was a member of the Billingham Corps during hostilities in Hongkong in December, 1941 and was interned by the Japanese in Stanley. Upon liberation he went on leave to England but returned by plane in April, 1946.

Mr Nish will be remembered for his never-failing cheerful disposition. He was an extremely popular club man and an enthusiastic lawn bowler. He was for a great number of years a keen member of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club of which he served as President and he was also a member of the Kowloon Cricket Club. He was also a past President of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association.

Mr Nish retired from business and left Hongkong early in 1948. He is survived by his wife, son and a daughter.

Mail Notices

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FRIDAY, JULY 3

Indo-China, France, French North and West Africa, 6 p.m. Air Viet-Nam.
North Borneo, Australia, New Zealand, 6 p.m. P.A.A.
Hawaii, U.S.A., 6 p.m. P.A.A.
Formosa, Okinawa, U.S.A. (Seattle and Western States), 6 p.m. B.O.A.C.
Macao, 9 p.m. By Surface.
Tokyo, 6 p.m. By Air.
Tatung, 6 p.m. By Air.

SATURDAY, JULY 4

Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A. and Canada, 6 a.m. by P.A.A.
Hawaii, U.S.A., 6 p.m. P.A.A.
Formosa, Okinawa, U.S.A. (Seattle and Western States), 6 p.m. B.O.A.C.
H.K.A./N.W.A.L.
Siam, Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain and Europe, 9 p.m. B.O.A.C.
Macao, 130 p.m. 6 p.m. by Air.
Hong/Tak Shing, 930 a.m. 2 p.m. train via Canton, Malaya, India, Pakistan, 9 a.m. by Air.

SUNDAY, JULY 5

Japan, 6 p.m. by B.O.A.C.
Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, Ceylon, 6 p.m. B.O.A.C.
Macao, 8 p.m. by Air.
Japan, 6 p.m. by Air.
Philippines, 6 p.m. by Air.
Siam, Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain and Europe, 9 p.m. B.O.A.C.

MONDAY, JULY 6

Philippines, 6 p.m. by Air.
Siam, Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain and Europe, 9 p.m. B.O.A.C.
Macao, 8 p.m. by Air.
Japan, 6 p.m. by Air.
Philippines, 6 p.m. by Air.
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